

## **REMARKS**

### **1. Amendments to the Claims**

Claim 15 is herein cancelled.

No new matter has been added.

### **2. Summary of Interview**

The Examiner called in mid January indicating that the claims would be allowable if claim 15 was cancelled. Applicants' representative called the Examiner to inform him that cancelling claim 15 was acceptable and ask whether he would prefer to cancel the claim via Examiner's Amendment. The Examiner indicated that he would file an Examiner's Amendment.

However, because Applicants have not heard from the Examiner, Applicants herein file this paper to expressly cancel claim 15. Applicants submit that this amendment puts the claims in position for allowance.

## **CONCLUSION**

Applicants herein petition for an extension of time for a period of three (3) months under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a). The Commissioner is authorized to charge payment of \$ 1,100.00 from Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for the fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17.

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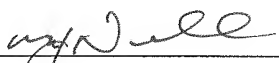
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Should there be any outstanding matters that need to be resolved in the present application, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact Mark J. Nuell Reg. No. 36,623 at the telephone number of the undersigned below, to conduct an interview in an effort to expedite prosecution in connection with the present application.

If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for any additional fees required under 37.C.F.R. §§1.16 or 1.14; particularly, extension of time fees.

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Respectfully submitted,

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